

## § 578.62

but who meet the other astronaut criteria will be awarded the basic Aviation Badge with Army Astronaut Device.

### § 578.62 Service ribbons.

A ribbon identical in color with the suspension ribbon of the service medal it represents, attached to a bar  $1\frac{3}{8}$  inches in width and  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch in length, equipped with a suitable attaching device. A service ribbon is issued with each service medal.

### § 578.63 Lapel buttons.

(a) Lapel buttons are miniature replicas of military decorations; service medals and ribbons; and identification badges. Lapel buttons are worn only on civilian clothing. The buttons will be worn on the left lapel of civilian clothing for male personnel and in a similar location for female personnel.

(b) *Lapel buttons for military decorations.* Lapel buttons for military decorations are issued in the following two forms:

(1) A rosette,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch in diameter, for the Medal of Honor.

(2) A colored enamel replica ( $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch by  $\frac{21}{32}$ -inch) for the service ribbon for other decorations.

(c) *Lapel buttons for badges.* The only badges that have an approved lapel button are certain identification badges as follows:

- (1) Presidential Service Badge;
- (2) Vice Presidential Service Badge;
- (3) Office of the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge;
- (4) Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge; and
- (5) Army Staff Identification Badge.

(d) *World War I Victory Button.* A five-pointed star  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch in diameter on a wreath with the letters "US" in the center. For persons wounded in action, the lapel button is silver; for all others, the lapel button is bronze. Eligibility requirements are the same for the World War I Victory Medal.

(e) *Honorable Service Lapel Button (World War II Victory Medal).* A button of gold-color metal consists of an eagle perched within a ring composed of a chief and 13 vertical stripes. The button is  $\frac{7}{16}$ -inch high and  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch wide. Eligibility requirements are honorable

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(f) *Lapel button for service prior to September 8, 1939.* (Not issued or sold by the Department of the Army.) A button  $\frac{7}{16}$ -inch high and  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch wide, of gold-color metal consists of an eagle perched within a ring which displays seven white and six red vertical stripes and a blue chief bearing the words "National Defense." It may be worn only by a person who served honorably before September 8, 1939 as an enlisted man, warrant officer, nurse, contract surgeon, veterinarian, or commissioned officer, in the Regular Army or a Citizen's Military Training Camp for 2 months, or in the National Guard, Enlisted Reserve Corps, or Senior ROTC for 1 year, or in junior ROTC for 2 years.

(g) *Army Lapel Button.* The Army Lapel Button is a gratuitous issue item made up of a minute man in gold color on a red enamel disk surrounded by 16-pointed gold rays with an outside diameter of  $\frac{9}{16}$ -inch. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

(1) Soldiers transitioning with an honorable characterization of service (those being transferred to another component for completion of a military service obligation, and those receiving an Honorable Discharge Certificate).

(2) Non-adverse separation provision.

(3) Minimum 9 months continuous service—a break is 24 hours or more.

(4) Active Federal service on or after April 1, 1984; or, service in a Ready Reserve unit organized to serve as a unit (National Guard unit or Army Reserve troop program unit) on or after July 1, 1986.

(5) Retroactive issuance is not authorized.

(6) No soldier separating from the Service is to be awarded more than one Army Lapel Button.

(h) *U.S. Army Retired Lapel Button.* Retired Army personnel who are in possession of DD Form 2 (U.S. Uniformed Services Identification Card) (Retired)) are eligible to wear the Army Retired Lapel Button. Commanders will present the U.S. Army Retired Lapel Button to Army personnel at an appropriate ceremony before they retire.